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**GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES RECOVERY ACT: JUSTICE
ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM**

Charleston – Governor Joe Manchin III announced today that he has awarded \$7,099,495 in Recovery Act: Justice Assistance Grant Program funds for one hundred and five (105) projects statewide. These funds are to assist state agencies, local units of government, and private non profit agencies in carrying out specific programs that offer a high probability of improving the functioning of the criminal justice system. Special emphasis is placed on multi-jurisdictional projects and statewide projects that seek to create and/or retain jobs in the criminal justice system in West Virginia.

Recovery Act: Justice Assistance Grant funds are awarded from the Bureau of Justice Assistance of the U.S. Department of Justice. The Division of Criminal Justice Services administers these funds.

Funds were awarded to the following:

STATEWIDE

Mothers Against Drunk Driving	\$19,676.00
Funds will support the position of a Program Coordinator for the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Victim Awareness Project. Contact: Ms. Donna Hawkins (304) 776-0222	
Rea of Hope Fellowship Home	\$40,228.00
Funds will support the positions of a Program Coordinator and Program Assistant for the Rea Of Hope Fellowship Home. Contact: Ms. Marie Beaver (304) 344-5363	
West Virginia CASA Association, Inc.	\$16,700.00
Funds will provide a part time Resource Development/Technical Assistance Professional for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA). Contact: Ms. Michele Bush (304) 343-4306	

West Virginia Division of Juvenile Services **\$135,000.00**

Funds will provide personnel for new Youth Reporting Center in Wood County.

Contact: Mr. Jason Wright (304) 558-9800

West Virginia State Police **\$639,674.00**

Funds will provide for temporary staff, overtime and equipment for a West Virginia State Police Laboratory back log reduction project.

Contact: Ms. Soraya McClung (304) 746-2427

West Virginia State Police **\$311,074.00**

Funds will provide over time for personnel and equipment for a West Virginia State Police criminal records back log reduction project.

Contact: Lieutenant Michael Corsaro (304) 746-2177

West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals **\$57,451.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel for a Court's Access and Visitation Program.

Contact: Ms. Angela D. Saunders (304) 558-0145

West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals **\$569,500.00**

Funds will provide personnel to continue the development of the Unified Judicial Application for West Virginia Courts.

Contact: Ms. Angela D. Saunders (304) 558-0023

YWCA of Charleston **\$45,000.00**

Funds will provide the salary for a Racial Justice Training Coordinator for the YWCA Racial Justice and Hate Crime Response Project.

Contact: Ms. Debby Weinstein (304) 340-3555

BERKELEY

Children's Home Society of West Virginia **\$19,351.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).

Contact: Ms. Victoria Slater (304) 596-2022

City of Martinsburg **\$64,500.00**

Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.

Contact: Lieutenant Tim Catlett (304) 264-2100

Shenandoah Women's Center, Inc. **\$83,800.00**

Funds will provide the salary for a Prevention Educator and a Counselor.

Contact: Ms. Ann K. Smith (304) 263-8522

BOONE

Cornerstone Family Interventions, Inc. **\$79,200.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).

Contact: Ms. Monica Ballard (304) 369-5283

BRAXTON

Braxton County Commission

\$31,000.00

Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Braxton County High School.

Contact: Sheriff George L. Keener (304) 765-2838

CABELL

City of Huntington

\$77,040.00

Funds will support the position of a Police Information Technology Coordinator and Statistics Analyst.

Contact: Chief W. H. Holbrook (304) 696-5560

CONTACT Huntington, Inc.

\$44,000.00

Funds will provide the salary for a Community Prevention Educator.

Contact: Ms. Sharon Pressman (304) 523-2447

TEAM for West Virginia Children, Inc.

\$57,356.00

Funds will provide personnel for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA).

Contact: Ms. Kim Runyon Wilds (304) 523-9587

Village of Barboursville

\$64,500.00

Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.

Contact: SA C. R. Courtright (304) 526-3963

DODDRIDGE

Doddridge County Commission

\$31,000.00

Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Doddridge County High School

Contact: Ms. Chris Richards (304) 873-2521

FAYETTE

Oak Hill High School

\$31,000.00

Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Oak Hill High School.

Contact: Ms. Anna Kincaid Cline (304) 574-1176

GREENBRIER

Child and Youth Advocacy Center

\$37,820.00

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).

Contact: Ms. Ann Weikle (304) 645-4668

CASA of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, West Virginia, Inc. **\$50,000.00**
Funds will provide personnel for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA).
Contact: Ms. Jenny Castle (304) 645-5437

Family Refuge Center **\$44,000.00**
Funds will provide the salary for a Community Education Advocate.
Contact: Ms. Ellen Allen (304) 645-6334

Greenbrier County Commission **\$31,000.00**
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Greenbrier East High School.
Contact: Sheriff James W. Childers (304) 647-6634

Greenbrier County Commission **\$28,500.00**
Funds will provide for over time for officers to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.
Contact: Mr. Patrick I. Via (304) 647-6616

HAMPSHIRE

CASA of Hampshire County **\$20,077.00**
Funds will support personnel for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA).
Contact: Ms. Beverley H. Evert (304) 822-8675

HANCOCK

Hancock, Brooke County Child Advocacy Center, Inc. "Comfort House" **\$68,700.00**
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).
Contact: Ms. Tammy Lewis (304) 723-0083

Hancock, Brooke, Ohio Victim Assistance **\$4,199.00**
Funds will support counseling services to victims of crime in Hancock, Brooke and Ohio Counties.
Contact: Mr. Neil H. Nixon (304) 737-3597

Hancock County Commission **\$124,000.00**
Funds will provide for Prevention Resource Officers (PRO) at Oak Glen Middle School, Oak Glen High School, Weir Middle School and Weir High School.
Contact: Ms. Carol Farish (304) 564-3311

Hancock County Commission **\$64,500.00**
Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.
Contact: Ms. Carol Farish (304) 564-3311

Upper Ohio Valley Sexual Assault Help Center **\$44,000.00**
Funds will provide the salary for a Prevention Educator.
Contact: Ms. Linda Reeves (304) 234-1783

HARRISON

City of Bridgeport **\$31,000.00**
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Bridgeport High School.
Contact: Mr. John P. Walker (304) 842-8260

City of Clarksburg **\$31,000.00**
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at the Harrison County Alternative Learning Center.
Contact: Mr. Tommy Thomas (304) 326-7560

City of Shinnston **\$31,000.00**
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Lincoln High School.
Contact: Chief Michael Secreto (304) 592-2121

Harrison County Commission **\$64,500.00**
Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.
Contact: Ms. M. L. Quinn (304) 624-8539

Harrison County Commission **\$29,340.00**
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).
Contact: Ms. M. L. Quinn (304) 624-8539

JACKSON

CASA of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, Inc. **\$43,720.00**
Funds will support personnel for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA).
Contact: Ms. Lora Smith (304) 373-1165

City of Ravenswood **\$62,000.00**
Funds will provide for Prevention Resource Officers (PRO) at Ravenswood High School and Ravenswood Middle School.
Contact: Mr. Thomas M. Speece (304) 273-8181

Jackson County Commission **\$31,000.00**
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Ripley High School.
Contact: Sheriff M. G. Bright (304) 373-6291

JEFFERSON

Jefferson County Coalition on Substance Abuse **\$24,700.00**
Funds will support personnel for the SAVOY Program.
Contact: Ms. Christa Shifflett (304) 725-3433

KANAWHA

CAMC Health Education & Research Institute, Inc.	\$38,256.00
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC). Contact: Ms. Maureen Runyon (304) 388-9978	
ChildLaw Services	\$58,300.00
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC). Contact: Ms. Emily Chittenden (304) 342-1178	
Children's Home Society of West Virginia	\$372,700.00
Funds will provide personnel for the WE CAN Program Contact: Ms. Kathrn A. Kandas, MBA (304) 425-8738	
City of Charleston	\$64,500.00
Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force. Contact: Lieutenant Chad Napier (304) 348-6814	
City of Charleston	\$62,000.00
Funds will provide for Prevention Resource Officers (PRO) at Stonewall Jackson Middle School and Capital High School. Contact: Lieutenant Valerie Strege (304) 348-6468	
City of Charleston	\$91,000.00
Funds will provide salaries for two part time Counselors and a full time Victim Specialist for Project Change. Contact: Sergeant Steve Cooper (304) 348-6468	
City of Dunbar	\$31,000.00
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Dunbar Middle School. Contact: Chief William M. Moss (304) 766-0231	
City of Saint Albans	\$31,000.00
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at St. Albans High School. Contact: Chief Joseph Crawford (304) 727-2251	
City of South Charleston	\$31,000.00
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at South Charleston High School. Contact: Chief Brad Rinehart (304) 744-6903	
Family Counseling Connection	\$44,000.00
Funds will provide the salary of a Prevention Specialist for a Sexual Violence Treatment and Prevention program. Contact: Mr. Jason Newsome (304) 340-3676	

Kanawha County Commission **\$52,000.00**
Funds will support the position of a Drug Court Assistant Prosecutor.
Contact: Ms. Maryclaire Akers (304) 357-0777

Kanawha Institute for Social Research & Action, Inc. (KISRA) **\$174,700.00**
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Community Corrections Re-Entry program serving Cabell, Kanawha and Raleigh counties.
Contact: Ms. Michelle Foster (304) 768-8924

West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence **\$106,420.00**
Funds will provide support for personnel for the BIPPS Training and Technical Assistance Project.
Contact: Ms. Tonia Thomas (304) 965-3552

YWCA Sojourner's Shelter for Homeless Women & Families **\$22,361.00**
Funds will support the positions of a Substance Abuse Counselor and a Children's Education Instructor for the YWCA Sojourner's Shelter for Homeless Women and Families.
Contact: Ms. Margaret Taylor (304) 340-3553

YWCA of Charleston Resolve Program **\$56,532.00**
Funds will support the position of a Rural Outreach Specialist serving Kanawha and Clay counties and a Support Services Intake Coordinator for the YWCA Resolve Program.
Contact: Ms. Felicia Bush (304) 340-3554

LEWIS

Lewis County Commission **\$62,000.00**
Funds will provide for Prevention Resource Officers (PRO) at Lewis County High School and Robert L. Bland Middle School.
Contact: Mr. David S. Parks (304) 269-8251

LOGAN

Logan County Child Advocacy Center, Inc. **\$75,504.00**
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).
Contact: Ms. Beth Cook (304) 792-6261

Logan County Commission **\$64,500.00**
Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.
Contact: Ms. Angela R. Lester (304) 752-1347

Logan County Commission **\$52,000.00**
Funds will support the position of a Violent Crime Assistant Prosecutor.
Contact: Mr. Jerry White (304) 792-8670

MARION

CASA of Marion County **\$24,618.00**

Funds will provide personnel, training and office supplies for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA).

Contact: Ms. Kim Berry-Baker (304) 366-4198

City of Fairmont **\$64,500.00**

Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.

Contact: Mr. Mark M. Hayes (304) 694-2997

Marion County Child Advocacy Center, Inc. **\$21,880.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).

Contact: Mr. Michael Baker (304) 333-3936

Task Force on Domestic Violence, "HOPE, Inc." **\$89,500.00**

Funds will provide the salary for a Prevention Educator and a Outreach Therapist.

Contact: Ms. Harriet Sutton (304) 367-1100

West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services **\$88,410.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel for the Sexual Violence & Stalking Capacity Building and Resource Development Project.

Contact: Ms. Nancy Hoffman (304) 366-9500

MARSHALL

City of Moundsville **\$31,000.00**

Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Moundsville Middle School.

Contact: Chief James M. Kudlak (304) 845-1611

Marshall County Commission **\$24,700.00**

Funds will support the position of a Crimes Against Children Assistant Prosecutor.

Contact: Ms. Betsy Wilson Frohnafel (304) 845-0482

MCDOWELL

McDowell County Commission **\$62,000.00**

Funds will provide for Prevention Resources Officer (PRO) at Iaeger High School and Mt. View High School.

Contact: Sheriff Daniel W. Mitchell (304) 436-8523

McDowell County Commission **\$40,000.00**

Funds will provide the salary of a Clinically Certified Addictions Counselor for the McDowell County Community Correction Day Report Center.

Contact: Ms. Georgia M. West (304) 436-8518

Stop the Hurt, Inc. **\$14,702.00**
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).
Contact: Mr. Edward J. Kornish (304) 436-8555

Stop Abusive Family Environments, Inc. (SAFE) **\$44,000.00**
Funds will provide the salary for a Public Education and Crime Prevention Director for the SAFE Education & Crime Prevention Program.
Contact: Ms. Sharon Walden (304) 436-6181

MERCER

Child Protect of Mercer County, Inc. **\$30,903.00**
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).
Contact: Ms. Shiloh Woodard (304) 425-2710

ChildLaw Services, Inc. **\$149,000.00**
Funds will support the positions of two staff attorneys and a Case Manager to provide legal services to child victims.
Contact: Ms. Shannon P. Atwell (304) 425-9973

City of Bluefield **\$64,500.00**
Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.
Contact: Chief C. J. Wilson (304) 327-6101

Mercer County Commission **\$40,000.00**
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Community Corrections Day Report Center.
Contact: Mr. Steven L. Collins (304) 487-8458

MINERAL

Mineral County Commission **\$30,249.00**
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Frankfort High School.
Contact: Deputy R. Kam Jeffries (304) 726-4767

Mineral County Family Resource Network **\$47,136.00**
Funds will provide personnel, training and equipment to support the implementation of a new Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA).
Contact: Ms. Ginny Conrad (304) 788-1428

MONONGALIA

City of Morgantown **\$64,500.00**
Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.
Contact: Chief Philip Scott (304) 284-7496

Monongalia County Child Advocacy Center, Inc.	\$77,417.00
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).	
Contact: Ms. Laura Capage (304) 598-0344	
Monongalia County Youth Services Center	\$9,704.00
Funds will support personnel for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA).	
Contact: Ms. Helene Friedberg (304) 599-1087	
Rape & Domestic Violence Information Center, Inc.	\$80,000.00
Funds will provide support for personnel for the Rape & Domestic Violence Information Center.	
Contact: Ms. Judy King Smith (304) 292-5100	

NICHOLAS

Nicholas County Commission	\$31,000.00
Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Richwood Middle School.	
Contact: Mr. D. W. Plummer (304) 872-7880	
Nicholas County Commission	\$64,500.00
Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.	
Contact: Sheriff Wetzel V. Bennett (304) 872-7880	
Nicholas County Family Resource Network	\$52,200.00
Funds will provide personnel for the Nicholas County Family Resource Network Equipping Families Program.	
Contact: Ms. Robin Brown (304) 872-4707	

OHIO

City of Wheeling	\$124,000.00
Funds will provide for Prevention Resource Officers (PRO) at Wheeling Park High School, Bridge Street Middle School, Warwood Middle School and Triadelphia Middle School.	
Contact: Chief Kevin Gessler (304) 234-3718	
Harmony House, Inc.	\$52,006.00
Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).	
Contact: Ms. Leslie Vassilaros (304) 230-2205	
Ohio County Commission	\$64,500.00
Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.	
Contact: Corporal Dave Black (304) 234-6092	
YWCA Wheeling Family Violence Prevention Program	\$44,000.00
Funds will provide the salary for a Program Coordinator.	
Contact: Ms. Debbie Wood (304) 232-2748	

PUTNAM

Putnam County Commission **\$40,000.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Community Corrections Treatment and Aftercare project.

Contact: Mr. Jamey Hunt (304) 204-1406

RALEIGH

City of Beckley **\$31,000.00**

Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Woodrow Wilson High School.

Contact: Mr. Charles R. Maynard (304) 256-4646

Just for Kids, Inc. **\$71,500.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).

Contact: Ms. Celi VanDyke (304) 255-4834

Women's Resource Center **\$12,000.00**

Funds will support the position of a Program Coordinator for the Women's Resource Center Roadblocks to Recovery Program.

Contact: Ms. Patricia M. Bailey (304) 255-2559

RANDOLPH

Randolph County Children's Advocacy Center **\$43,000.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).

Contact: Ms. Sharon Bedford (304) 630-2214

Women's Aid in Crisis **\$64,000.00**

Funds will support a Licensed Professional Counselor and a Multi-County Prevention Educator.

Contact: Ms. Maria R. White (304) 636-8433

RITCHIE

Ritchie County Commission **\$31,000.00**

Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Ritchie County Middle/High School.

Contact: Captain Bryan Davis (304) 643-2262

ROANE

Roane County Commission **\$52,000.00**

Funds will support the position of an assistant prosecutor.

Contact: Mr. Josh Downey (304) 927-2091

SUMMERS

REACHH-Family Resource Center **\$56,571.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).

Contact: Ms. Kristal Straub (304) 466-2226

TYLER

YWCA CASA **\$61,700.00**

Funds will provide personnel for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA).

Contact: Ms. Susan Harrison, (304) 232-0511

UPSHUR

Mountain CAP of West Virginia, Inc. **\$11,720.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).

Contact: Ms. Kim Gifford Perrine (304) 472-1500

WAYNE

Wayne County Commission **\$40,000.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Community Corrections Day Report Center.

Contact: Mr. Christopher Dean (304) 272-6377

WOOD

City of Parkersburg **\$64,500.00**

Funds will provide for officer salaries to continue a multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task force.

Contact: Captain Delmas Barker (304) 424-8444

City of Parkersburg **\$62,000.00**

Funds will provide for Prevention Resource Officers (PRO) at Parkersburg High School and Parkersburg South High School.

Contact: Captain Delmas Barker (304) 424-8444

Wood County Commission **\$31,000.00**

Funds will provide for a Prevention Resource Officer (PRO) at Williamstown High School.

Contact: Lieutenant T. R. Smith (304) 424-1834

Wood County Commission **\$40,000.00**

Funds will provide support for personnel of a Community Corrections Day Report Center.

Contact: Ms. Toni Tiano (304) 428-7760

Wood County Commission**\$70,000.00**

Funds will provide treatment and transportation for participants of the Wood County Drug Court Program.

Contact: Ms. Toni Tiano (304) 485-2925

Voices for Children - CASA**\$14,700.00**

Funds will support personnel for the Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA).

Contact: Ms. Margaret Burdette (304) 422-3390

Contact: Jason Metzger
Senior Justice Program Specialist
Division of Criminal Justice Services
(304) 558-8814, extension 285